

(b) *Assignment to independent living program status.* A veteran may be assigned or reassigned to *independent living program status* under the provisions of §§ 21.88, 21.94, 21.96, or 21.98.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3107)

(c) *Continuation in independent living program status.* A veteran will be in *independent living program status* during periods in which:

- (1) The provisions of § 21.282 for induction into a program are met, but the veteran is pending induction into the facility at which rehabilitation services will be provided;
- (2) The veteran receives rehabilitation services prescribed in an IILP; or
- (3) The veteran is on authorized leave of absence status.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3109, 3120)

(d) *Termination of independent living program status.* When a veteran's case has been assigned to *independent living program status*, the case will be terminated from that status, if one of the following occurs:

- (1) A veteran, who has been notified of necessary arrangements to begin a program, the date the program begins and instructions as to the next steps to be taken:
  - (i) Fails to report and does not respond to followup contact by the case manager;
  - (ii) Declines or refuses to enter the program; or
  - (iii) Defers entry for more than 30 days beyond the scheduled beginning date, unless the deferment is due to illness or other sufficient reason.
- (2) The veteran completes the IILP;
- (3) Either the veteran or VA interrupts the program;
- (4) Either the veteran or VA discontinues the program; or
- (5) Service-connection for the veteran's service-connected disability is severed by VA or he or she otherwise ceases to be eligible.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3109, 3110)

CROSS-REFERENCES: See §§ 21.160 Independent living services, 21.282 Effective date of induction into a rehabilitation program, 21.322 Commencing date, and 21.324 Reduction or termination date.

#### § 21.194 “Employment services” status.

(a) *Purpose.* The status *employment services* serves to:

- (1) Identify veterans who are being furnished employment services; and
- (2) Assure that these veterans receive necessary services in a timely manner.

(b) *Assignment to employment services status.* A veteran's case may be assigned or reassigned to *employment services status* under the provisions of §§ 21.84, 21.88, 21.94 and 21.98.

(c) *Continuation in employment services status.* A case will remain in *employment services status* for the period specified in the IEAP, subject to the limitations specified in paragraph (d) of this section.

(d) *Termination of employment services status.* The veteran will continue in *employment services status* until the earliest of the following events occurs:

- (1) He or she is determined to be rehabilitated under the provisions of § 21.283; or
- (2) He or she is:
  - (i) Employed for at least 60 days in employment that does not meet the criteria for rehabilitation contained in § 21.283, if the veteran intends to maintain this employment and declines further assistance; and
  - (ii) Adjusted to the duties and responsibilities of the job.
- (3) Either the veteran or VA interrupts the employment services program;
- (4) Either the veteran or VA discontinues the employment services program;
- (5) He or she reaches the end of the period for which employment services have been authorized and there is no basis for extension; or
- (6) Service-connection for the veteran's service-connected disability is severed or he or she otherwise ceases to be eligible.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3117)

CROSS-REFERENCES: See §§ 21.47 Eligibility for employment assistance, 21.250 Overview of employment services, and 21.326 Authorization of employment services.

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